



Welcome to the City of Indianapolis, the home of the Indianapolis 500. Below are some general safety tips to make your visit to our city a safe and memorable one.

Parking Scams:

Do not hesitate to ask questions. Ask for a receipt or tag for your dashboard. Ask who owns the lot and if there are time limits. Does the person look like they are a parking attendant?

Car Thefts:

If you are parking a car, empty it of any valuables you don't actually need. Before leaving your vehicle make sure your car doors are locked. Do not leave valuables in plain sight. Put them in the trunk.

Crowd Safety:

Have a plan when celebrating with family/friends. Be around someone you know or trust so you can take care of each other. Pick a designated meeting place in case of separation from family/friends.

Child Safety:

Take a current family photo on your cell. Authorities can use it if a child goes missing. Staying at a hotel? Put a few of the hotel's cards in your kid's pockets in case they get separated from you. Hold on to small children when in crowded areas and make sure small children have your cell phone number with them.

Counterfeit/Stolen Tickets:

Counterfeit and stolen tickets will be out there. Buy from a licensed broker; be cautious of purchasing from a person off the street or Internet. If the offer sounds too good to be true, then it probably is. As an example, be aware of people who are selling tickets under the going rate. Look for quality of paper stock, misspellings and logos that are off center. Be aware of people trying to sell an "up-graded" ticket. They may be attempting to sell you a counterfeit ticket to get your legitimate ticket. Make sure to safeguard your ticket.

Parties:

Plan to have sober drivers at your party who can escort folks home. Be prepared for guests to spend the night if an alternative way home is not available. Avoid drinking too much alcohol too fast. Pace yourself—eat enough food and alternate with non-alcoholic drinks. Designate before you celebrate.

Pick pockets:

Put your valuables in your front pocket. Women make sure your purse is zipped; hold it close to your body and towards the front. To stay safe in crowds leave the extra credit cards at home and only carry what you need in a concealed place.